

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

LIONEL GONZALEZ-TORRES,

Defendant.

Case No. MJ20-560-2

DEFENDANT'S WAIVER OF IN-
PERSON APPEARANCE AND
CONSENT TO PROCEED BY
VIDEO/TELEPHONIC
CONFERENCE

I, LIONEL GONZALEZ-TORRES, the above named defendant, acknowledge that I have been advised by my lawyer and the Court – by this form -- that pursuant to the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure and the Sixth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, I generally have the right to be personally present in open court to any hearing involving a criminal proceeding to which I am a party.

I am scheduled to have the following hearing(s) on (fill in date):

Initial Appearance and Detention Hearing on September 1, 2020 at 1pm.

I have been advised by my lawyer that because of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), the Governor of the State of Washington has issued an Emergency Proclamation and Chief Judge Ricardo S. Martinez in the Western District of Washington has issued a General Order 02-__ regarding Emergency Hearings. As a result, I cannot currently be personally present in open

1 court for this scheduled hearing. Therefore, I wish to waive my right to be personally present in
2 open court for the above-hearing(s), and acknowledge that my right to due process under the
3 Constitution is best protected by moving forward with the hearing(s) by video/telephonic
4 conference.

5 I have discussed with my lawyer this consent to appear and participate by
6 video/telephonic conference and have agreed to the same.

7 I have also authorized by lawyer to electronically execute this form on my behalf.

8 Dated this 1st day of September, 2020

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10 s/ Scott J. Engelhard
11 Lawyer's signature, electronically executed,
12 On behalf of Lionel Gonzalez-Torres
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